



Practitioner's Docket No. 2026.1

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Bill R. Horobec**  
Application No.: 10/756,788  
Filed: 01/14/2004

Group No.: 3723  
Examiner: ALVIN J. GRANT

For: **THE REMOVAL OF DAMAGED FASTENERS**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
*Commissioner for Patents*  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of **one month** to respond to Office Action dated December 29, 2004.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith. The response is the filing of a **continuation-in-part (CIP)** application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application.
3. Applicant is a small entity. A verified statement is attached.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\***

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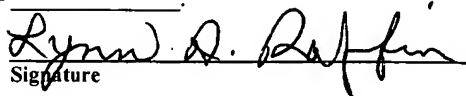
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4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:  
one month

Fee for small entity:  
\$60.00

**Fee \$60.00**

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore.

Extension fee due with this request **\$60.00**

5. Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any), the extended period for response will expire on **April 29, 2005**.

6. Fee Payment

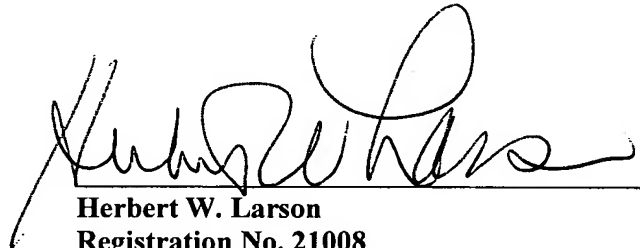
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Date:

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